

CAKE BAKING & WALK COMPETITION

The Fremont PTA is proud to be hosting our 2nd annual CAKE BAKING & WALK COMPETITION! After a great response to the event last year, we are getting bigger and better in 2010! Like last time, we're challenging every student, parent, senior and community member to bake and decorate the most fun, exciting, creative cake you can at home. On Saturday, March 27th at 2:00 pm the cakes will be put on display, in the Ellis School Gym, for judging. Every event attendee will be given one vote in each of five age categories (under 4 years old, up to adult). Not interested in baking?? No problem, come on over to be a judge and play for a chance to take a cake home. After the votes are tallied and prizes awarded, the cakes will be given away in a fun "cake walk" game. For \$0.50 you can buy a ticket to walk to the music and hope to be the lucky one standing on a winning spot! Each ticket purchased can also be used to play games in the gym, have your face painted, get a snack from the refreshment table or take a chance on a raffle. All proceeds will go toward PTA sponsored programs and mini grants. Registration forms will be made available at Fremont Town Hall, Fremont Public Library or from our website www.fremontpta.org. Questions can be directed to Jennifer Brown at (603)244-2721 or via email at bakingbrownies@comcast.net.

CAMP FREMONT COUNSELORS

The Fremont Parks & Recreation Commission is accepting applications for Camp Counselors. Pay commensurate with experience. Camp Fremont runs from July 5 to August 13. Hours are from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm daily. Applications are available at the Fremont Town Hall or on the web at: <http://fremont.nh.gov/fnhgparkrec1.shtml>. Contact Camp Director, Jen Jaquith, at missj1133@yahoo.com with questions. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.

YARN-A-THON IV: PAMPERING THE PETS

"Giving Hands" of Fremont announces its fourth Yarn-a-thon, this time to benefit our furry friends at the New Hampshire SPCA and Fremont Animal Hospital. We plan to knit or crochet comfy crate blankets for the cats and dogs awaiting adoption or recovery. Date/Time: June 12, 2010, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: Fremont Public Library, 7 Jackier Bernier Drive, Fremont
Suggested Sizes: 8"x17" for the boxes used to transport kitties home.

18"x18," 24"x24", 36"x36" (comparable rectangular blankets will work, too). If you are sewing squares together, they would be:

18"x18": nine 6"x6" squares

24"x24": nine 8"x8" or sixteen 6"x6" squares

36"x36": nine 12"x12" squares OR sixteen 9"x9" squares.

Yarn: Any acrylic or cotton yarn in worsted weight, bulky yarn, OR rug yarn. Using double strands of the worsted weight will make the project work up very quickly and have a similar effect to bulky or rug. Needles/Hooks: To correlate with your choice of yarn.

Pattern: Any closely woven pattern will do; the simpler, the better! Little paws can get caught in open-weave blankets. The idea is to have fun, be creative, and bring a "Prrrr" or "woof" of pleasure to that little bundle of fur!

On the day of the event, please bring your coffee or tea and a bag lunch if you plan to stay through noon. You may also want to consider take-out from a local restaurant. We welcome finished blanket donations even if you are unable to attend; and we thank you! All donations will be distributed to the Stratham NHSPCA and Fremont Animal Hospital. We hope to see you on June 12! For more information, contact: Nancy LeCain, 603 895 9373 or nancy@lecain.net, or Meredith Patrick, 603 244 2044 or MeredithP03042@aol.com. **NOTE: Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.**

CHECK YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS

The weekend of March 13 and 14, we all set our clocks to Daylight Saving Time. The time change is a good reminder to check your smoke alarms. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), more than 66 percent of home fire deaths that occurred between 2003-2006 were in homes without a working smoke alarm. A working smoke alarm significantly increases your chances of surviving a deadly home fire.

A properly installed and maintained smoke alarm is the only thing in your home that can alert you and your family to a fire 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Whether you're awake or asleep, a working smoke alarm is constantly on alert, scanning the air for fire and smoke. Smoke alarms must be maintained! A smoke alarm with a dead or missing battery is the same as having no smoke alarm at all, so test your smoke alarm monthly by pushing the "test" button, if it has one.

Smoke alarms are powered by either a battery or are hardwired into your home's electrical system. Hardwired smoke alarms are usually equipped with a backup battery. If your smoke alarm is powered by battery, the battery needs to be replaced annually unless it is a long-life battery (check the owner's manual). All batteries should be maintained and replaced in accordance with manufacturer's guidance. Choose an annual date, such as the time change, when you will remember to maintain your smoke alarm in tip top condition. Check the manufacturer's expiration date on the label, replace the batteries if needed, and clean dust away from the slots so that smoke can enter freely. All smoke alarms, hard-wired and battery powered, should be replaced every ten years. These simple steps will help ensure that you and your family will have the best chance of surviving if fire should strike.

USFA has a fire safety campaign called Install. Inspect. Protect. which provides information about home smoke alarms and fire sprinklers. Please visit the campaign Web site at www.usfa.dhs.gov/campaigns/smokealarms/.

BACKYARD COMPOSTER SALE

To celebrate Earth Day 2010, the Fremont Energy Committee (FEC) will hold a sale of composters, compost pails, and rain barrels in conjunction with the NRRA. All funds go to NRRA to pay for the items; and Fremont is joining the sale this year in an effort to raise awareness of energy issues and recycling.

The sale will continue through April 3rd and you MUST pre-order no later than April 3, 2010. Order forms will be available at the Town Hall or from Cheryl by email at rowells4@myfairpoint.net. You can also download an order form from the Energy Committee page of the Town website at www.Fremont.nh.gov; complete it and submit per form instructions with your payment. Expected delivery of products is April 22nd - just in time for Earth Day! Pickup arrangements can be made by contacting Cheryl Rowell at 895 9923 or by email at rowells4@myfairpoint.net.

FREMONT GARDEN CLUB

The Fremont Garden Club held their February 23rd meeting at the Fremont Public Library. FGC member, Leslie Milde, spoke on Organic Gardening. Refreshments were provided by Dianne Bolduc and Linda Rafferty.

During the business meeting that followed, the club voted to make a donation to the New England Brace Company for their use in helping the children of Haiti.

On March 9, 2010, the FGC provided soups and baked goods as well as some wonderful raffle baskets to support their activities for the Town of Fremont. Raffle winners were Deb Genthner, Meredith Bolduc, Denise Smith, and Ro Curtis.

Thank you to all of the FGC members for their donations and time manning the tables and thank you to all of the residents of Fremont for their support.

CAMP FREMONT SUMMER PROGRAM

The Camp Fremont Summer Program will soon be accepting registrations for six week-long camp sessions running from **July 5th-August 13th**. Camp Fremont is a safe environment where your child can develop emotionally, socially, and physically for the summer. With a low camper-to-counselor ratio, your child will receive a lot of individual attention. Campers will participate in a variety of physical and arts & crafts activities, as well as attend field trips and be entertained by educational presenters. Each session will be offered according to an overall theme which will ensure that you are signing your child up for activities that they will enjoy. Field trips costs and a free Camp Fremont T-shirt are included in the tuition costs. Come see how much fun Camp Fremont can be!

WHO: Students who will be enrolled in grades 2-9

during the 2010-2011 school year

WHEN: Monday through Friday; 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

WHERE: Ellis School gymnasium

COST: **Please read carefully:**

* \$85.00 per week (includes the cost of field trips and a free T-shirt). This cost is less than \$3 per hour of enrichment for your child.

* Families who are sending siblings- the second sibling attending the same week is discounted to \$75 and any additional siblings (3rd or more child from same family) may attend camp during the same week for \$25 each. This means a family of 3 siblings may attend one week of camp for \$185.

* Campers who are attending multiple weeks- Camp Fremont is offering a progressive \$10 discount for campers who sign up for multiple weeks. The rate for a camper who attended all six weeks would be: Week 1- \$85, Week 2- \$75, Week 3- \$65, Week 4- \$55, Week 5- \$45, Week 6- \$35.

* Extended Hours- Camp Fremont is also offering Before-Care from 7:30 to 9:00 am and After-Care from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Each of these services is \$10 per week. Parents who do not need a full week of this service may pay \$5 per day for 7:30 am to 4:00 pm coverage.

Students who are interested in joining our **Counselor in Training Program** may visit the Recreation website listed below and fill out an application for acceptance. This program is for students who wish the acquire the skills needed to become a paid Camp Counselor. Participants must have completed 7th grade and demonstrate exceptional maturity to participate in our CIT or Jr. CIT programs. Campers enrolled in this program may attend at a discounted rate and participation in the program is contingent upon positive weekly performance evaluations.

For your convenience, registration forms and camp information guides will soon be available at the Ellis School, Fremont Town Hall, Fremont Public Library, and online at

<http://www.fremont.nh.gov/fnhgparkrec1.shtml>.

Please return all paperwork to the Selectmen's Office at the Fremont Town Hall, 295 Main Street; or in the overnight drop box.

Please email Jen Jaquith, Camp Director, with any questions at missj1133@yahoo.com.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The Fremont School District is beginning the enrollment process for the 2010-2011 school year. To register your child please call 895 2511 x 100 or email tblades@sau83.org. Please let us know your child's name, date of birth, address and phone number. Your child must be age 5 by September 30, 2010 and reside in Fremont.

A parent meeting will be held on May 6, 2010 at the Ellis School Library at 6:30 pm. We will give you a registration packet with required forms, information about the kindergarten program and screening. You will meet the kindergarten teachers at this time as well. ~ Dawn Lewis, Elementary Principal

DOG LICENSES

Dog Licenses: The deadline for licensing your dog(s) for 2010 is April 30th. To prevent the initiation of a late penalty of \$1.00 per month you must license your dog(s) by the deadline. A current rabies vaccination is required for licensing, as the Clerk is required to retain a copy of the vaccination certificate. If you no longer have a dog(s) please contact the office so your name can be removed from the list. As required by RSA 466:1, all dogs must be licensed each year by April 30th.

For your convenience, the license(s) can be mailed for an additional fee of \$1.00 per dog along with a self addressed stamped envelope or you can license your dog(s) on-line. Licensing on-line is for renewals only. If your dog(s) has never been licensed in the town of Fremont or if you have received an updated rabies certificate from your Vet, you must obtain the license in person. Fees: Unaltered: \$10.00, Spayed/Neutered: \$7.50, Puppies (3-7 mos): \$7.50, over 65: \$2.00. Mail-in / convenience fee: \$1.00 per dog.

The 2010 Rabies Clinic will be held April 17, 2010 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Fremont Safety Complex Includes Rabies and Microchips

The Town Clerk will be available for Dog Licensing. NH Law requires every dog, cat and ferret 3 months of age to be vaccinated against rabies RSA 436:100. NH Law also requires every owner or keeper of a dog 4 months or older to annually license RSA 466:1.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

* All credit, exemption, and new Current Use application for the 2010 tax year is due at the Selectmen's Office no later than April 15th.

* Spring Bulky Day will be held on Saturday May 22, 2010 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Highway Site, 113 Danville Road, Fremont. A separate flyer will be sent out with further details. The Spring Household Hazardous Waste Day in Hampton will also be held May 22nd. Check the Town website Recycling Page for more details.

* The Memorial Day Parade will be held on Sunday May 30th beginning promptly at 9:00 am. Contact Jeanne Nygren at 895 2226 x 11 or by email at FremontTownHall@comcast.net for information or to participate.

* All Town Offices will be closed on Monday May 31, 2010 in observance of Memorial Day. Trash and recycling pickup are delayed one day during the holiday week.

4H CLUB & SUMMER CAMP

Does your child love horses? Girls and boys ages 5 to 18 years are welcome to attend Peppermint Ponies 4H club meetings to learn more about horses, ponies, 4H and group hands-on activities. No experience or horse ownership is necessary. Questions? Contact Jan Brubacher, Leader at 679-3367, 303-1584, j.brubacher@comcast.net, www.peppermintponies4h.org, www.northroadfarm.com. Scholarships available.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The following Fremont Organizations are looking for members:

Conservation Commission Planning Board
Zoning Board of Adjustment
Parks & Recreation Commission

Consider getting involved and learn more about your Town and perform a valuable community service. Contact Land Use Administrative Assistant Meredith Bolduc at 895 3200 x 17 or fremontpz@comcast.net for any of the land use board positions, and Renee King at reneeking@comcast.net for information on the Parks & Recreation Commission.